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1. AT SPC MEETING NOV 20, USREP (MORRE) STATED US WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT THE BELGIAN COMPROMISE LANGUAGE ON APPROPRIATE DEFINITION OF THE COMMON CEILING IN THE OPTION III PAPERS, WITH THE MISSION'S MODIFICATION, PER REF A.

2. UKREP (BAILES) SAID THAT THE UK COULD ALSO ACCEPT THE BELGIAN COMPROMISE LANGUAGE, BUT WITH THE WORD "PRECISE" REINTRODUCED PRIOR TO "NUMERICAL LEVEL OF THE COMMON COLLECTIVE CEILINGS" IN THE BELGIAN TEXT IN PARA 3, REF B.

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3. BELGIAN REP (WILLOT) WELCOMED THE US STATEMENT, AND SAID HE COULD ACCEPT THE UK REINTRODUCTION OF "PRECISE".

4. FRG REP (CITRON) ACCEPTED THE BELGIAN WORDING FOR THE

DRAFT GUIDANCE, BUT DID NOT YET HAVE INSTRUCTIONS RE THE
BELGIAN WORDING IN THE POSITION PAPER. CANADIAN REP
(BARTLEMAN) AND ITALIAN REP (CIARRAPICO) ALSO ACCEPTED THE
BELGIAN WORDING. NETHERLANDS REP (MEESMAN) SAID THAT HIS
AUTHORITIES WERE HESITANT ABOUT THE BELGIAN WORDING.
HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT HE WOULD REPORT HIS ISOLATION, AND
WOULD RECOMMEND ACCEPTANCE OF THE BELGIAN WORDING.BRUCE

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